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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEES - CASE OF CHANG YUNG CHUAN
AKA CHUONG A LAU AND TWO SISTERS

1. THE LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL, 315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH, NEW YORK, N. Y., THROUGH ONE OF THEIR AMERICAN MINISTERS WORKING IN TAIPEI, HAS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE EMBASSY THE CASE OF CHANG YUNG CHUAN, AGE 18, AND HIS TWO SISTERS, AGE 17 AND 12. IT HAS BEEN REQUESTED THAT THEY BE ALLOWED TO JOIN THEIR PARENTS WHO ARE INDEFINITE REFUGEES NOW SPONSORED BY THE IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AKRON, IOWA.

2. CHANG YUNG CHUAN AKA CHUONG A LAU AND HIS SISTERS, CHANG SU MEI AKA CHANG A KIU AND CHUONG SU YI, AKA CHUONG A LINH CAME TO TAIWAN MAY 8, 1975 VIA ROC MILITARY VESSEL AND WERE TAKEN TO THE REFUGEE CAMP IN KAOHSIUNG, TAIWAN. THEY WERE SUBSEQUENTLY RESETTLED INTO THE TAIWANESE COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY ARE OVERSEAS CHINESE. THEY HAVE NO RELATIVES IN TAIWAN AND LIVE TOGETHER ON THE MEAGER WAGES EARNED BY THE TWO OLDEST CHILDREN WHO WORK PART-TIME AT A LOCAL FACTORY. SINCE THEIR PARENTS, CHANG KAI WAN AND LU YA MEI, HAVE BEEN ADEQUATELY RESETTLED IN THE UNITED STATES (C/O JOE BIRKLEY, WESTFIELD, IOWA 51062) IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THESE CHILDREN WOULD QUALIFY FOR U.S. PAROLES ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS TO ALLOW THE FAMILY TO BE REUNITED.

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3. ACTION REQUESTED: D/HA/ORM REVIEW OF THIS CASE
FOR PRESENTATION TO INS/CO WITH A REQUEST THAT FAVORABLE
CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO ALLOW THESE MINOR CHILDREN TO
JOIN THEIR PARENTS IN THE UNITED STATES.
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